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WHEAT HARVEST IN FULL SWING

June 5 - Much needed rainfall was received in the three southern districts and small amounts elsewhere. Cooler temperatures kept soil moisture close to the previous week's levels. Topsoil and subsoil moisture conditions were adequate in most areas of the state except the South Central district where soil conditions were mostly short. Temperatures surpassed 100 degrees Monday and Tuesday in areas of the Panhandle and Southwest districts. Farmers had 5.1 days for fieldwork during the week.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	5	23	66	6
Last Week	5	23	67	5
Last Year	0	5	86	9

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	6	28	65	1
Last Week	8	24	68	0
Last Year	0	2	91	7

SMALL GRAINS: Wheat harvest was 27 percent complete statewide, well ahead of the normal of 8 percent. Harvest ranged from 75 percent complete in the Southwest district to less than 1 percent in the Panhandle district. Wheat was rated in fair-to-good condition in all districts except the East Central district where it rated good-to-excellent. Wheat in the soft dough stage of development was at least 95 percent across the state.

The North Central district reports harvest in full swing with test weights ranging from 55-62 pounds per bushel. Harvest was interrupted by rain over the weekend in northern Oklahoma. Oats and rye remained in mostly good condition. Oat harvest was about 50 percent complete in the Southwest and just getting started elsewhere.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
WHEAT					
This Week	1	8	32	52	7
Last Week	1	7	29	52	11
Last Year	0	4	26	65	5
OATS					
This Week	1	7	38	51	3
RYE					
This Week	0	4	20	71	5

ROW CROPS: A small amount of corn silking was reported in the Southwest and East Central districts. Sorghum planting ranged from 31 percent in the major-producing Panhandle to 100 percent in the Southeast district. Soybean planting ranged from 41 percent in the Southwest district to 86 percent in the Southeast district. Peanut planting ranged from 67 percent in the South Central district to near 100 percent in the Southeast district. Cotton planting ranged from 82 percent in the Central district to near 100 percent in the Southeast district.

ROW CROPS CONDITION BY PERCENT					
Week Ending June 4, 2000					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	1	32	60	7
Sorghum	0	3	43	53	1
Soybeans	0	0	23	72	5
Peanuts	0	6	41	52	1
Cotton	0	3	48	47	2

HAY: Alfalfa 1st cutting ranged from 69 percent in the Southeast district to near 100 percent in the South Central and East Central districts. Other hay cuttings ranged from 50 percent in the Southeast to near 100 percent in the Panhandle district.

HAY CONDITION BY PERCENT					
Week Ending June 4, 2000					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	1	3	26	62	8
Other Hay	0	3	31	58	8

PASTURE: Wide spread grasshopper problems were reported in the central and southern districts. Range and pasture condition was mostly fair-to-good in all districts except the East Central district where condition was good-to-excellent. The Southwest district reports pastures are very weedy due to drought conditions the past two years.

LIVESTOCK: Livestock were rated in mostly good condition with slightly below average marketings. Feeder cattle prices were steady to \$1 per cwt. above last week. Insect activity was light to moderate statewide with some reports of heavy activity in the Southwest and South Central districts.

LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT					
Week Ending June 4, 2000					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	1	1	21	68	9
Pasture & Range	1	6	24	61	8

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OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS									
June 4, 2000									
Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr. Avg	Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr. Avg
Wheat -					Peanuts -				
Soft Dough	99	95	84	77	Planted	95	80	90	75
Harvested	27	9	6	8	Emerged	83	57	70	50
Oats -					Cotton -				
Headed	97	92	99	93	Planted	88	79	72	68
Soft Dough	86	72	80	64	Emerged	79	65	53	43
Harvested	19	4	4	7	Alfalfa Hay				
Corn -					1 st Cutting	97	95	97	92
Emerged	100	93	100	98	2 nd Cutting	28	22	18	14
Silking	1	N/A	1	1	Other Hay				
Sorghum -					1 st Cutting	61	58	51	45
Seedbed Prepared	92	87	94	84	Watermelons				
Planted	52	47	30	30	Planted	100	96	100	83
Emerged	41	37	6	13	Running	35	30	N/A	N/A
Soybeans -									
Seedbed Prepared	91	88	96	93					
Planted	71	68	43	54					
Emerged	60	57	30	33					

WEATHER FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 4, 2000 - Temperatures ranged from 50.5 degrees at Kenton on Sunday, June 4th to 102.2 degrees at Kenton on Tuesday, May 30. Precipitation averaged 0.30 in. Panhandle district to 1.90 in. Southeast district. Individual Mesonet stations ranged from 0.0 in. at Goodwell, Hooker and Sulphur to 5.8 in. at Pauls Valley. Soil temperatures averaged 64.8 degrees at May Ranch to 102.3 degrees at Tishomingo.

TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION							
Week Ending June 4, 2000							
Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	March 1 to June 4, 2000		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
Degrees			Inches				
Panhandle	87	63	75.2	0.30	7.33	+ 1.06	117
West Central	87	67	76.2	0.69	12.21	+ 3.61	142
Southwest	90	69	78.8	1.32	11.04	+ 1.81	120
North Central	87	67	77.0	1.01	13.34	+ 4.61	153
Central	87	69	77.0	0.59	11.57	+ 0.11	101
South Central	88	68	77.1	1.63	9.72	- 3.24	75
Northeast	85	67	75.6	0.48	16.26	+ 3.30	125
East Central	86	68	76.3	0.35	12.93	- 1.63	89
Southeast	86	66	76.0	1.90	13.72	- 2.66	84